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Title : Hand Operated Shirring Machine

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Please enter the following amendments to the specification, claims and abstract prior to the examination of the application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.